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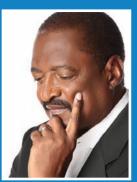




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SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES



- All activities will be held at Fallbrook Church Gymnasium or adjacent buildings
- Exhibits, featured author sessions and seminars are FREE to the public
- Festival Food Court in Gymnasium opens 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Friday and 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Saturday
- Tickets to special events may be purchased online at www.nationalblackbookfestival.com or by calling (281) 444-4265

THURSDAY, **OCT.** 27, 2016

WELCOME TO HOUSTON RECEPTION

7:00 TO 9:00 P.M.

Tickets: \$40/person

Menu: Full dinner buffet with

beverages and desserts

Catered by: Pappa's Catering

Location: TBD

Host: Pamela Jarmon-Wade

Children's author

www.pamelajarmonwade.com



FRIDAY, OCT. 28, 2016

GET ACQUAINTED BREAKFAST

8:00 A.M.

Tickets: \$30/person
Catered by: Pappa's Catering

Location: TBD

Featuring: Marketing Tips for

Success at NBBF

M/C: Author Brenda A. White

www.brendaawhite.com



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http://www.nationalblackbookfestival.com/eventtickets.htm

To order tickets by phone, call (281) 444-4265

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10:00 A.M. TO 7:00 P.M.

AUTHOR EXHIBITS OPEN:

100+ AUTHORS FROM ACROSS THE U.S.

Location: Fallbrook Church Gymnasium

FRIDAY, OCT. 28, 2016

11:00 A.M.

Seminar:
Social Media 101-Tips
for Expanding Your
Reach Via Social Media

Presenter:

Mary E. Evans

Author

www.thunderandlightningpicturebook.com
Location: Fallbrook Church Gymnasium (Rear)



12:00 NOON

Power Lunch

Tickets: \$30/person
Catered by: Pappa's Catering

Location: TBD

Featured Speaker:

Brian W. Smith

Award-Winning Author of 15+ Novels www.authorbrianwsmith.com

M/C:

Karen and David Brown

Proprietors of BrownCo Publishing www.browncopublishing.com

Winner of "Boost Your Book" Writing Competition Announced



Presenter:

Toni Harris

Author, Coach, and Motivational Speaker www.toniharris.com Location: TBD







3:00 P.M.

Seminar: Transforming Books Into Films

Presenter:

J.M. Benjamin

Author of the best-selling novel series,
Ride or Die Chick, along with 10 other titles;
CEO of A New Quality Publishing; screenplay
writer and executive producer of film,
"Moves We Make"
www.jmbenjamin.com
Location: Fallbrook Church
Gymnasium (Rear)



5:00 P.M.

Featured Author: VALERIE WILSON WESLEY

Author of eight mysteries, the Willimena Rules! children's book series, and two paranormal romances under pen name Savanna Welles www.valeriewilsonwesley.com Location: Fallbrook Church Gymnasium (Rear)



Featured Author: MAUREEN SMITH

Romance and suspense author of 20+ books, including the Wolf Pack series and *Inferno* www.maureen-smith.com Location: Fallbrook Church Gymnasium (Rear)



Seminar: Bringing Out the Book In You

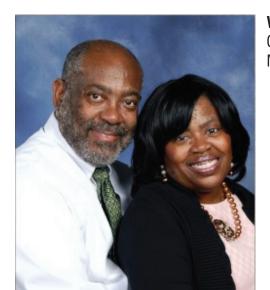
Presenter:

Bonnie Hopkins r Christian fiction novels

Author of four Christian fiction novels, including *Seasons* and *Destiny* Location: TBD



NBBF Exhibits and Session Close for Friday – REOPEN SATURDAY AT 10:00 A.M.



Willie and Gwen Richardson, Co-Founders National Black Book Festival

A WORD FROM THE NBBF CO-FOUNDERS

This ninth anniversary of the National Black Book Festival will be the biggest and best one yet! Its purpose has always been to celebrate African-American literature and provide the Houston area and the Southwest region an opportunity to experience literary excellence for an entire weekend. We thank God for all He has done to allow this event to continue year after year.

We also want to thank Fallbrook Church for allowing us to host NBBF at this spacious facility for our fourth consecutive year. Pastor Michael Pender and his wife, Sister Jan, are shining examples of leaders within the body of Christ and the Houston community. The entire staff and ministry workers at Fallbrook have been incredibly gracious, and we cannot thank them enough for all of the assistance they provided.

Third, we want to thank the many volunteers who have dedicated themselves to assuring NBBF is successful, year after year. There are too many to name individually, but please know that your dedication is appreciated.

Next, we would like to thank the dozens of authors, publishers and other vendors who make NBBF one of the largest events of its kind in the country. The importance of expanding the quantity and quality of African-American literature, as well as motivating aspiring authors, cannot be overstated.

Finally, we would like to thank the book clubs and readers for continuing to support the book industry. We hope you purchase loads of books over the weekend at NBBF, resulting in hours of reading enjoyment in the coming months. Keep in touch with the authors you meet and share their experiences via social media.

The 2017 National Black Book Festival will be held October 26-28 at Fallbrook Church. Thank you for your continued support.

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SATURDAY, OCT. 29, 2016

NETWORKING BREAKFAST 8:00 A.M.

Tickets: Catered by: \$30/person
Pappa's Catering

Location:

TBD

M/C:

Shelita Anderson, Author www.shelitaanderson.com

10:00 A.M. TO 6:00 P.M. AUTHOR EXHIBITS OPEN:

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Mathew Knowles

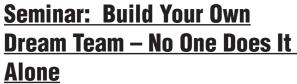
Entertainment manager for Beyonce and Destiny's Child, author of *The DNA of Achievers*

Location: Fallbrook Church Gymnasium (Rear)



Featured Author: Omar Tyree

NY Times best-selling author of 20+ novels, including *Fly Girl, What They Want, Sweet St. Louis* and *All Access* www.omartyree.com Location: TBD



Presenter:

Chris Jones

Author and Motivational Speaker www.chrisjonesspeaks.com

Location: TBD





12:00 NOON

Featured Authors: Victoria Christopher Murray and ReShonda Tate Billingsley



50+ books and founders of Brown Girls Publishing

www.reshondatatebillingsley.com, www.victoriachristophermurray.com,

www.browngirlsbooks.com

Location: TBD

Author/Book Club Meet and Greet

Authors present their books to book club members (requires advance registration)

Location: Fallbrook Church Gymnasium (Rear)

<u>Seminar: A Few Good Men</u> <u>— A Path to Godly Fatherhood</u>

Presenter:

Brother Prater

Author, Minister, Musician, Public Speaker www.brotherprater.org/?page_id=441 Location: TBD



1:00 P.M.

Featured Author: Wahida Clark

Urban fiction author of 15+ novels www.wclarkpublishing.com Location: Fallbrook Church Gymnasium (Rear)



Seminar: Table for 1, Please! "He Said, She Said"

Presenter:

D. Michelle Thompson

Author, Speaker, Consultant www.tablefor1.org Location: TBD

Door Prize: Win a dinner for 2



2:00 P.M.

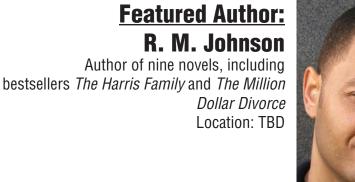




Featured Author: Wendell Pierce

Renowned actor in film ("Selma," "Ray," and "Waiting to Exhale") and television ("The Wire" and "Suits"); Author of *The Wind in the Reeds: A Storm, a Play, and the City That Would Not Be Broken*

Location: TBD







Seminar: The Next 10 Days: Ushering in America's 45th President

Presenter:

Catherine Fleming Bruce

Author and Global Governance and Policy Expert

www.sustainersbeingbuildingdoinggood.com Location: TBD

Spoken Word Poetry Slam
Poet Host:

Victor B. Johnson Sr.Location: Fallbrook Church Gymnasium (Rear)



3:00 P.M.

Featured Author: Carl Weber

Author of *NY Times* best-selling author of more than 15 novels, including *The Family Business* (1, 2 and 3), *The Man in 3B, Choir Director, Grand Opening, and The Man in 3B*, which was adapted for a BET movie www.carlweber.net

Location: TBD

6:00 P.M. 2016 NBBF CLOSES





Seminar: Reclaiming Your Mental State and Breaking Down the Stigma of Mental Illness: The 4-Step Process

Presenter:

Dr. Hearley SmithAuthor and Clinical Therapist

Location: Fallbrook Church Gymnasium (Rear)





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